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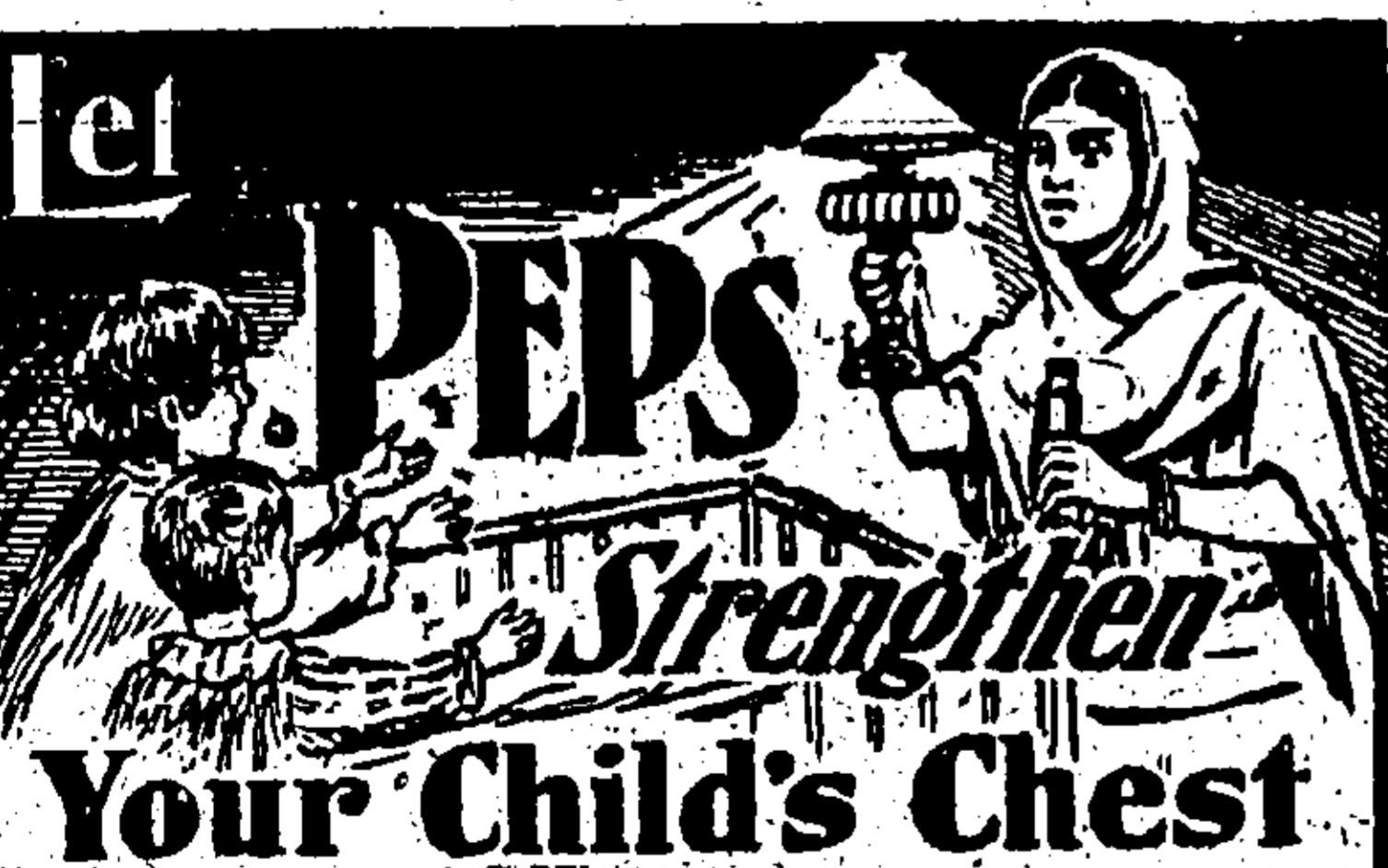
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RUPTURE WITH RUSSIA?

BRITAIN'S DEMANDS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, May 17.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Chancellor of the Exchequer, refused definitely to promise there would be no rupture with Russia until the House had been further consulted, but he indicated that the Government was adopting a conciliatory attitude.

He hoped the British demands would be met fairly and reasonably and that a rupture would be averted.

WHAT DID THEY SAY?

LONDON, May 17.

Mr. Krassin, the Soviet trade envoy, had a long conference with Lord Curzon at the Foreign Office. Mr. Krassin was present in the distinguished strangers' gallery of the House of Commons during the debate arising out of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's motion for a reduction of the Foreign Office vote. During the debate, Mr. Ronald McNeill stated that Lord Curzon was willing to meet Mr. Krassin if the latter desired.

USUAL SECRECY.

LONDON, May 17.

Reuter understands that no statement will be made at present concerning the Krassin-Curzon negotiations.

It is not expected that further meetings will be held before Whitsun and it is deduced that time limit of the British note which is expiring on May 18 will not be enforced.

The Soviet envoys are not preparing for immediate departure from London.

HOME GOLF.

FIRST ROUND SURPRISE.

KIRKWOOD DEFEATED.

LONDON, May 17.

The Leeds golf tourney was held in fine weather but the wind was troublesome.

A surprise first round was the defeat of Kirkwood by Kinch (Woodcote Park) 3-2. Duncan beat Vardon 2-1; Ockenden beat Braid 3-2; Hagen beat Barber at the 21st hole and Sarazen beat Seymour 5-3.

The complete second round results are as follows:—

H. Jolly beat Abe Mitchell at the 29th hole; Falkner beat May 4-3; Duncan beat Williamson by one hole; Mackenzie beat Leach 5-4; Hagen beat Bingham 6-4; Havers beat Rinch 5-4; Samzen beat Gadd 2-1; and Ockenden beat Wingate by one hole.

[The Australian Kirkwood, the previous day went round in 67, beating the record for the course—68—established the day before by the Crophurst and professional, Reginald Wilson.]

HABEAS CORPUS ACTION.

HOME SECRETARY'S POSITION.

LONDON, May 17.

In the House of Commons, the indemnity bill to meet the situation arising out of the O'Brien case was read a first time. It merely prohibits the institution of civil or criminal legal proceedings against the Home Secretary and others concerned in the Irish deportations.

[The House of Lords decided that it could not interfere with the Appeal Court's decision granting the writ of Habeas Corpus applied for by Art O'Brien, leader of the Irish Self-Determination League, who was arrested in the big March round-up and deported. The Court based its decision on the ground that the Home Secretary was not empowered to order the internment of a person in the Irish-Free State. The indemnity bill the Government is introducing is designed to protect the Home Secretary who would otherwise be liable to severe penalties.]

WELCOMED AT EUSTON.

LONDON, May 17.

The Irish deportees were welcomed by friends on arrival at Euston where they dispersed to their homes.

Six London and four Liverpool deportees are still detained or have been rearrested.

EARL CAVAN'S TOUR.

POLAND'S WELCOME.

WARSAW, May 17.

Earl Cavan was ceremoniously received at Graców, where he attended a review of troops. He then proceeded to Warsaw.

The papers publish long eulogistic articles acclaiming the distinguished representative of the British army and declaring the visit will demonstrate Poland's pacific tendencies and consolidate Anglo-Polish relations.

[Chief of the British Imperial General Staff, Earl Cavan, accompanied the King and Queen to Italy. He now spends four days with the Polish army, returning the visit of General Zegorsky to London in October.]

VANCOUVER HONOURED.

VANCOUVER, May 17.

President Harding has accepted an invitation to visit Vancouver in June en route to Alaska.

REISS BROS. DEBTS.

CONFLICTING COURT ORDERS.

HOME RECEIVER'S HOPE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, May 17.

At a meeting of the creditors of Messrs. Reiss, Bros., Manchester, the Official Receiver made a statement that the Reiss family was already actively engaged in a scheme for securing the continuance of the old-established family business.

The Receiver, after saying that special conditions in the Far East had led to this regrettable failure, referred to the question of conflict jurisdiction between the English court and the courts in Hongkong and the treaty ports. He felt it was of paramount importance to maintain the supremacy of the British court's winding up proceedings.

He thought the matter was now fairly hopeful of securing the indivisibility of the assets as a whole and their distribution amongst the creditors *pro rata*.

[Reiss Bros., Ltd., of Manchester, trading with China principally in cotton goods, announced that the Official Receiver had been appointed liquidator, pending the hearing of a petition for compulsory winding up. The firm's position was attributed entirely to fall in the value of goods lying in Chinese markets at the time of the 1920 slump. The nominal capital of the Company is £1,250,000 divided into 1,250,000 shares of £1. The amount of capital paid up or credited as paid up is £686,454, and the Company has more than seven shareholders. The Hongkong winding up order was made yesterday.]

AERIAL TOUR.

BRITISH MINISTER'S MISSION.

TEN DAYS' TRIP.

LONDON, May 17.



Sir Samuel Hoare

The Air Minister, Sir Samuel Hoare, accompanied by Lady Hoare and Major-General Bracken, Head of the Civil Aviation Department, have left Croydon aerodrome on a ten days' flying tour of the Continent.

They will inspect the Continental air route and confer with the Air Ministers of the countries traversed.

HOME BOXING.

LIGHT HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

BLOOMFIELD'S VICTORY.

LONDON, May 17.

At Olympia, in the 20-rounds light heavy-weight championship of the British Empire, Jack Bloomfield, the holder, beat the Irish champion, Dave Magill, the latter's seconds throwing in the towel in the thirteenth round.

LIGHT-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

LATER.

In a twenty rounds contest for the lightweight championship of Europe Harry Mason of Leeds beat the holder Seaman Hall.

The latter was disqualified in the thirteenth round for hitting low.

BANTAM WEIGHT CONTEST.

LATER.

In a fifteen rounds contest Bugler Lake, bantamweight champion of Britain, outpointed Van Dyk, the Dutch champion.

Dyk twice floored his opponent in the second round but thereafter Lake piled up points and won easily.

The Dutchman put up a very game fight and received a great ovation at the conclusion of the bout.

"JOY STICK" CLAIM.

DAMAGES FOR INVENTOR.

PARIS, May 17.

The Appeal Court has awarded M. Pelletier, inventor of the aeroplane "joy stick," 7,500,000 francs damages against the French Government and three leading aircraft manufacturers for breach of patent.

The Government's infringements mostly occurred during the war, when it insisted on contractors fitting "joy sticks."

HOME COUNTY CRICKET.

LONDON, May 17.

Hampshire beat Worcester by an innings and 20 runs. The Hants man, Kennedy, in the second innings took six wickets for 54 runs.

(Other new cables will be found on Page 4.)

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THE ONLY WAY.

Studying this dispute which even now threatens to bring the two nations into open conflict, the detached observer must agree with Mr. Ramsay MacDonald that matters would never have reached their present sorry pass had Britain recognised the Soviet long ago. Grant that the worst charges Britain has brought against Russia are true, one still finds it hard to believe that they could not have been settled diplomatically as they arose. Obviously one trouble can only be removed after much needless rancour. Moreover, far more critical "incidents" than any Britain alleges against Russia have been settled ere now through the usual channels. Take the Fashoda incident for one, which nearly precipitated war with France. Feeling ran very high, but amicable settlement was soon reached. Simply because both sides wanted peace. Or if it is objected that the parallel fails because the French are civilised and the Russians now are not, take the Dogger Bank episode before the war when Russian warships opened fire on some British trawlers, mistaking them, in the mist, for enemy craft. That trouble was also arranged quite amicably, again because both sides were anxious to avoid any discord. With the present dispute, however, it seems that neither party is too eager to adjust the issues, not because anything will be gained from prolonging the breach—indeed a great deal will be lost—but simply because both are too deeply concerned with their own precious amour propre. Here it must be made clear that this refers only to the leaders. Have we not Mr. Ronald McNeill's own assurance that Britain still feels warm friendship for the Russian people? And we have not yet forgotten their heroic sacrifices which saved

Paris early in the war? Doubtless the Russian people, too, have forgotten ere now the British support Winston Churchill gave the anti-Soviet forces after the war. Anyway, why should the two nations quarrel, much less fight? Britain may like the Soviet régime as little now as it did when the Bolsheviks first seized command, but the Soviet régime has come to stay. Why blink the fact? Why keep old sores open and cause fresh wounds, simply because a bitter-minded man and a pompous Mandarin—an excessively pompous Mandarin—continue to exchange heated documents? The Russians, once our allies, may now be barbarians. Doubtless they are. But they are barbarians we must trade with if Europe is ever to become normal again. Moreover, with the last great war scarcely over, our people little wish to become involved in more trouble, even with barbarians. Anyway, not when both sides could easily make concessions that would not merely atone for past friction—Russia's illegal acts and Britain's political boycott—but also cement better relations between the two great peoples who have so much to gain from friendly intercourse and so much to lose from unmitigated enmity. Instead of browbeating the Soviets, however provocative they have been, Britain should take the nobler part and make the first overture. After our steadily hostile stand during the past four years, this act of grace would surely cause the Soviets to abandon their present truculent attitude and work for greater amity. Should it fail, should it not yet been tried.

Tempting Providence.

Along Queen's Road Central, between the Central Market and the old Fire Station, demolishing work is being carried out in four different places. A block of three shops on the south side has almost been completely pulled down. Two other sites on the opposite side are shored up and workmen are gradually removing the old walls. The old fire station is also being attended to, holes having been knocked

into various parts of the building. Operations by the more progressive owners to construct up-to-date buildings in the centre of one of the busiest thoroughfares are praiseworthy but there is one aspect which cannot be too strongly impressed on the contractors. Adequate screens must be provided to protect pedestrians from the debris and dust cast off. At one of the blocks one morning four apprentices were seen holding four bamboo poles less than a yard in length and trying to prevent traffic getting near the place inside which tumbling bricks and flying particles could be seen falling haphazard. The verandahs were being demolished and bricks were dropping into the middle of the road. In spite of the apprentices' efforts, rich men and pedestrians had to go near on account of the congestion of traffic on the opposite side and it is a wonder that nobody was injured. Still, a number of people received showers of dust on their clothes while not a few had hits in their eyes. This nuisance renders it very uncomfortable for people who have to pass along the road and it is all the more annoying because it can easily be avoided. A stipulation that effective screens to prevent material falling into the road be put up would not cost much and would preclude accidents through traffic and pedestrians having to crowd the other side of the road.

Losing Friends.

A long life may be passed without finding a friend in whose understanding and virtue we can equally confide, and whose opinion we can value at once for its justice and sincerity. These words of Dr. Johnson, penned nearly two hundred years ago, might well have been written as a warning to the China of today. When the Washington Conference was held, it was evident that the Powers represented were determined to give China every chance of fitting herself to join the comity of nations on an equal footing. China for years had been the football, but the Powers now gave solemn assurances they were prepared to change their policy toward her. In many cases words have been translated into deeds. The manner in which China has reacted to this sincere profession of amity is too well-known to need repetition here. But what it must be asked, will be the upshot? In the final analysis, some solution must be found whereby the law-abiding citizens of the Chinese Republic and foreigners sojourning in the land will be assured of that safety they must have. It is useless for the paid propagandists of Peking or Canton to rant and rave about the bandits being responsible for all China's ills. Under any well-organized government, lawlessness is the exception rather than the rule. Things have reached such a stage now that even the Washington Government, which has been upbraided by American writers for its weakness when dealing with the Chinese Government in regard to outrages against American subjects, apparently at last is awakening to the fact that matters have been allowed to go too far. What the outcome of the latest outrages will be it is difficult to foretell, but it is quite plain, from comment in the Chinese and foreign press, that the Chinese Republic is fast losing the friends it took so many years to make.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Fire and Marine Insurance offices will be closed for the transaction of public business on Whit Monday, the 21st.

One Chinese case of plague, five Chinese cases of smallpox and one Japanese case of enteric fever were reported yesterday.

Some of the local Indian firms are closed to-day to celebrate the beginning of the *Shawal* (Hajj-Raya) which marks the end of the *Ramthan*, the month of fasting in the Mahomedan calendar.

Wong Wo-shun, the former "People's Army" general when Lung Chai-kuo was Tschun of Kwangtung, has been released by the Hongkong police after being detained as the result of a raid on his house.

The General Chamber of Commerce at Canton has written to the Canton authorities requesting the better handling of the service of drafting coolies for transportation. The Chamber thinks that shopkeepers, or foks, ought to be exempted from forced service.

Wen Liang-yi, managing director of the Canton-Hankow Railroad Kwangtung Section, appointed by Shen Hung-yin, has fled to Hongkong since the beginning of the present conflict in which Shen failed, says the *Canton Daily News*. The present managing director, Chen Hing-hon, is accused of having absconded with more than \$600,000 of the funds of the road, and will petition the Generalissimo to issue an order for his arrest.

REISS BROS. ASSETS. CRYPTIC LONDON CABLE EXPLAINED.

Hoping the Registrar of the Supreme Court might be able to throw some light on the somewhat cryptic Reuter dispatch regarding the winding up of the affairs of Messrs. Reiss Bros., a *China Mail* reporter called upon Mr. H. A. Nisbet this morning.

While refusing to be quoted as an authority without having previously consulted the Law Officers of the Crown, Mr. Nisbet stated that he presumed the ordinary procedure would be followed by which the total assets of Messrs. Reiss Bros. would be pooled and divided *pro rata* among the creditors. As far as Hongkong is concerned, Mr. Nisbet drew attention to the following clause in the order for winding up made by the Chief Justice yesterday: "And no proceedings, other than the aforesaid, are to be taken under this order, without the leave of this Court."

With regard to the branches in Peking, Tientsin, Shanghai, Canton, Hankow and other places in China, the winding-up proceedings, in the final analysis, will be carried out by the Registrar of H. B. M. Supreme Court in China at Shanghai. The Order made yesterday, by the Chief Justice regarding the Hongkong branch is ancillary to the Order made in England. It is, therefore, only fair to presume that the Orders made in China will also be ancillary.

The *China Mail* representative gathered that the sender of the Reuter message was suffering under the delusion that neither Hongkong nor the Treaty Ports in China are considered as "being on the map."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The twenty-fifth ordinary annual meeting of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd. is advertised to take place at 12 noon on May 31 at Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co.'s offices.

Out of four cases of larceny from the person reported to the Central Police Station yesterday, the police succeeded in arresting three of the alleged culprits. The sums stolen ranged from \$1 to \$55, and the prisoners will appear before the Magistrate in the course of to-day's hearing.

A shopkeeper of No. 11, Upper Station Street, has reported to the police that while walking along a path leading to Conduit Road at 9 a.m. yesterday, he was stopped by a number of men. Two of them caught hold of his wrists while another took \$1.10 from his pocket. After this they stripped him of his long coat valued at \$20 and escaped.

Six matchless, the homes of a number of stone-cutters, at Shaikwan were gutted last night through a fire breaking out in one of them and thereby causing the rest to be ignited. When the Fire Brigade arrived on the scene it was found that little could be done beyond confining the fire to the burning structures. The inmates managed to get away safely but it is believed that some of their property was lost. They suffered damage to property to the extent of \$600. It is believed that the fire was caused by a stick of dynamite exploding in one of the sheds.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The new Japanese Consul-General, Mr. E. Amou, has arrived at Canton to relieve Mr. E. Fugita.

Mr. Casanova, Consul-General for Portugal, has received a telegram from the Governor of Macao stating that owing to his sudden indisposition General Sir Gomes da Costa, K.C.M.G., has postponed his departure for Shanghai, which was to have been on the 16th instant.

Capt. R. Murray Rumsey, R.N., L.S.O., one time Harbour Master of Hongkong, who died recently at Blasland, Cornwall, left estate of the gross value of £2,005. Capt. Murray Rumsey had been receiving a pension of \$2,600 a year from the Hongkong Government since 1904.

Passengers who left on the "Empress of Asia" yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. H. Birkett, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Compton, Mr. C. S. Gubbay, Eng. Capt. Garwood, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hall, Mr. J. H. van Gonnep Luhrs, Mr. J. M. Macdonald, Miss Harriett Noyes, Miss Electra Butler, Madame L. Negre, Mr. G. N. Orme, Mr. David Rees Davies, Mrs. G. G. N. Tinson and Mr. J. A. Plummer.

Miss Mathilde McCormick was married secretly on April 5 at a London registry office to Max Oster. The newly-married pair are spending their honeymoon in Scotland. Miss McCormick is the daughter of the President of the International Harvester Company and is a niece of Mr. John D. Rockefeller Jr. Mr. Max Oster is a mining engineer in Switzerland. The marriage, which was announced some months ago, was said to be bitterly opposed by the McCormick family.

CENOTAPH UNVEILING.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THURSDAY.

WHERE TO GET TICKETS.

Arrangements for the unveiling by H.E. The Governor of the War Memorial Cenotaph on Empire Day, May 24, at 5.30 p.m. are being made satisfactorily and an advertisement published to-day states where admission tickets may be obtained.

The Cenotaph is intended to be a memorial not alone to the Hongkong men who fought and died in the Great War but to the whole Empire's Day. Part of Thursday's ceremony will consist of the laying of wreaths by H.E. The Governor, the British Legion and the E.A.S.M.A. An opportunity will also be given to members of the general public to pay tributes of respect.

A combined guard of Honour will be furnished by the Royal Navy and the 2nd King's Regiment. There will also be on parade detachments from all Naval and Military and other units, the Police, Volunteers, British Legion and E.A.S.M.A. having been asked each to supply a unit of one officer and 32 men. The Band of both the 2nd King's Regiment and Bombay Grenadiers will be present.

For the convenience of the public, stands are being erected round the site capable of seating 1,400 people. Admission will be by ticket, and though there will not be numbered seats, the Committee will only issue tickets for each stand to the number of people who can be comfortably seated. It is requested that everyone will be in their places by 5.10 p.m., at which time the troops will march on to the ground, headed by the band of the Bombay Grenadiers, to take up their allotted stations.

Subscribers to the War Memorial should apply for tickets for themselves and families either to:

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W. GALLOWAY,
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Tickets will also be distributed through the Naval and Military Authorities, Ex-Active Service Men's Association, British Legion, Harbour Office (for Mercantile Marine Officers and Engineers) and Central Police Station. Members of the Community not coming under any of these headings may obtain tickets on application in the entrance to the City Hall on Saturday, Tuesday and Wednesday, between the hours of 10 a.m. and noon. In order to avoid disappointment, tickets should be applied for as early as possible. Applicants should ask for one ticket for each member of their family. There will be no charge for admission to the stands.

Ceremony Details. Command Orders to-day give the following details of the procedure to be followed at the Ceremony:—

The Ceremony.—His Excellency, The Governor, will arrive on the ground at 5.30 p.m., and will be received with a Royal Salute, the National Anthem being played. His Excellency, The Governor, will inspect the Guard of Honour, and will then walk down the front rank of other formations on parade. The Chairman of the Memorial Committee will ask His Excellency, The Governor, to unveil the Memorial. His Excellency, The Governor, will unveil the Memorial; as the Memorial is unveiled, the Guard of Honour will present arms, and the National Anthem will be played.

His Excellency, The Governor, will make a speech, and place a wreath at the foot of the Cenotaph. At the conclusion of the speech, the Buglers of the King's Regiment will sound Last Post, followed by the Rouse.

On the conclusion of the above, the Guard of Honour will march, via Statue Square, to the Hongkong, Shanghai Bank Memorial. The Detachments will remain in position at the Cenotaph while wreaths are laid.

Parade Instruction.—(a) The following Units will be represented:—

Combined Guard of Honour: Royal Navy 50 All Ranks, 2nd Bn. The King's Regt. 50 All Ranks with Band and Colours, Detachments: Royal Navy 1 Officer, 32 Other Ranks, Royal Marines 1 Officer, 32 Other Ranks, Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers 1 Officer, 32 Other Ranks, 24th Bombay Grenadiers (C.E.O.) 1 Officer, 32 Other Ranks, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps 1 Officer, 32 Other Ranks, British Legion 1 Officer, 32 Other Ranks, E.A.S.M.A. 1 Officer, 32 Other Ranks, Mercantile Marine 1 Officer, 32 Other Ranks, Hongkong Police 1 Officer, 32 Other Ranks, Dockyard Police 1 Officer, 32 Other Ranks.

(b) The following will be attached to the Guard of Honour for duty at the Cenotaph:—

FREE SWIMMING LESSONS.

CHINESE Y.M.C.A. CAMPAIGN.

Between May 28 and June 30, the physical training department of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. at Bridges Street will give free swimming lessons to any Chinese schoolboys attending the local schools, between the ages of 12 and 21. Learners need not necessarily be members of the Association. Applications are being distributed and recipients are to present them at the Association when they will be given dates and hours to attend. Each boy will have three lessons. Last year the Chinese Y.M.C.A. taught 980 boys to swim in three lessons and non-swimmers should avail themselves of this offer to learn under skilled instructors and in ideal conditions. Boys with skin diseases will be refused.

HOME MAIL.

The P. & O. s.s. "Delta" carrying the home mails (letters and papers, London, April 19 and parcels, April 11) is due to arrive here to-morrow morning at daylight.

The Prince of Wales formally opened the College of Estate Management, which has been granted a Royal Charter. Owing to a severe cold, the Prince was unable to deliver his speech, which was read by Captain Lascelles. In his Royal Highness insisted that the proper management of the land was every year becoming more vital to our welfare.

One Petty Officer, Royal Navy, one N.C.O. from each, The King's Regt., Bombay Grenadiers, and Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

(c) All formations mentioned above will assemble on the Dockyard Football Ground by 5 p.m. on the 24th, whence they will march to their positions round the Cenotaph.

The Detachments will leave the Football Ground at 5.15 p.m., headed by the pipers of the Bombay Grenadiers (to be detailed by O.C. Grenadiers). The combined Guard of Honour will leave the Football Ground at 5.20 p.m. Lt. Commander K. F. D. Ackland, R.N. and Major R.B. Young will supervise the forming up of the detachments on the Football Ground and at the Cenotaph.

(d) Dress for Detachments.—Regular formations and Volunteers.—Review Order, with medals and side arms. Civilian formations will wear medals, uniform optional.

3.—Practice Parade.—There will be a practice parade at 9 a.m. Tuesday, 22 May, on the Football Ground, Naval Dockyard and subsequently at the Cenotaph. The Guards of Honour with band and with the four men mentioned in para. 2(b) above will parade in full strength; the Officers commanding detachments or a senior representative will also attend.

4. Duties on the Ground.—(a) The following will assist in keeping the ground and will report to the D.A.A. and Q.M.G. at the Cenotaph at 5 p.m. on the 24th May: 1 Officer and 25 men, Royal Navy, 1 Officer and 25 men, 2nd Bn. The King's Regiment, Detachments of Boy Scouts and Girl Guides.

(b) The following will report to the D.A.A. and Q.M.G. at 4.45 p.m. at the Cenotaph, for duty on the stands: Royal Navy 20 selected men, Army 20 selected men.

(c) The Civil Police are assisting on the roads round the Cenotaph.

Additional Notes.—(a) The Detachments will leave the Dockyard in the following order:—Pipers Grenadiers, 24th Bombay Grenadiers, Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers, Royal Marines, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, Mercantile Marine, British Legion, E.A.S.M.A., Hongkong Police.

(b) On arrival on the ground the pipers will take up a position on the North side of the Cenotaph; the first five detachments will wheel to the left and take up their position on the South East side of the Cenotaph; remaining detachments will move across by the North side of the Cenotaph and wheel to the left and take up their position to the South West side of the Cenotaph. All detachments will form up four deep.

(c) Detachments will stand at ease when His Excellency is making his speech and will stand to attention during the remainder of the Ceremony. Officers Commanding will salute when the Guard of Honour presents arms. Instructions regarding these points will be given at the practice parade.

(d) At the unveiling of the Hongkong Shanghai Bank Memorial the Guard of Honour will receive His Excellency, The Governor, with a Royal Salute and will present arms when the Memorial is unveiled. Last Post will not be sounded.

PERHAPS FOR EVER.

FRANCE'S RUHR GRIP TIGHTENS.

PAYING THE PIPER.

(Reuter's Service to the *China Mail*.)

PARIS May 17. M. Poincaré, made a statement in connection with the special Ruhr credit at a secret sitting of the Finance and Foreign Affairs Commission of the Chamber of Deputies. According to a semi-official source the Premier optimistically reviewed the financial aspect of the occupation and declared that a period of stabilisation had now set in. Henceforth the costs of occupation would be covered by revenue. Supplies of coal and coke were increasing, the railway administration was self-supporting, exploitation of the forests was yielding appreciable revenues and requisitions largely offset expenses.

He concluded by saying that the operations were likely to produce more than was at first hoped, therefore France would be able to remain in the Ruhr as long as she pleased. She had decided not to abandon her pledges as long as Germany failed to fulfil her engagements.

WORLD'S ONLY HOPE.

STRONG PLEA FOR HONESTY.

WASHINGTON, May 17. President Harding, unveiling a statue of Alexander Hamilton, upheld Hamilton's conception of the sanctity of obligation as a remedy for the present world conditions. He pleaded for honesty as the cure for ten thousand ills and uttered a warning against factionalism, declaring that no nation could survive where factionalism endured.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

FRENCH DEFEAT DANES.

BORDEAUX, May 17. In the first round of the Davis Cup tourney France defeated Denmark by three matches to one.

LATER. In the Davis Cup contest France won the final match and rubber, making the score matches 4 to 1.

SZECHUAN WARFARE.

THIRD ARMY WINS THROUGH.

Peking, May 17. It is reported from Szechuan that the Third Army, under General Hsiung Keh-wu and General Tan Mou-hsin, were driven from Chengtu, and were proceeding towards the south-east when they met General Yang Sen's forces. Being attacked on the front and on rear, the Third Army turned against their pursuers, defeated them, marched back in triumph and again occupied Chengtu.—*Courtesy Daily Bulletin.*

LINCHENG OUTRAGE.

WU YU-LIN FEELING NERVOUS?

PEKING, May 17. In spite of official and semi-official statements, it appears that Wu Yu-lin has not yet gone to the bandits' stronghold, though he offered to do so.

The Speaker, Wu Ching-lien, wired to Wu Yu-lin urging him not to go and endanger himself, saying that the local officials should arrange for the captives' release.—*Courtesy Daily Bulletin.*

TONGSHAN LOOTING.

ATTEMPT ON BANK.

Tientsin, May 17. Detailed reports from Tongshan show that a small number of robbers attempted to rob the Bank of China, but were driven off by the police.

There was no looting of the railway yards.—*Courtesy Daily Bulletin.*

WOUNDED POLICE SERGEANT.

SUSPECTS BEFORE S.C.A.

Ten of the eighteen suspects arrested at Shing Wong Street and other places in connection with the shooting and wounding of Sergeant Dowse, who was searching a man after an armed robbery in Des Voeux Road Central some days ago, are to appear before the Secretary for Chinese Affairs to-day when they will be examined for deportation.

One of the men detained has already been charged with attempting to murder and armed robbery at the Kowloon Godown West Point office on Chinese New Year Eve.

HONGKONG RADIO CLUB.

GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE.

COLONIAL SECRETARY EXPLAINS.

At Volunteer Headquarters last evening a meeting of the Hongkong Radio Club learned from the Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.G., the attitude of the Government towards broadcasting in the Colony. Mr. J. H. Donithorne was in the chair, supported on the platform by the Hon. Mr. Fletcher and Mr. D. Tolhu (Hon. Secretary).

The Chairman stated that the meeting had been called to obtain the views of members on the subject of radio and broadcasting and to learn from Mr. Fletcher a statement of Government's policy. The speaker went on to express satisfaction that the Club had secured the Volunteer Headquarters as a temporary meeting place for which thanks were due to Lieut. Colonel L. G. Bird. Mr. Donithorne also paid a tribute to the *Hongkong Telegraph* for giving birth to the Club and for its interest in radio and wireless.

In conclusion the Chairman remarked that the Society had sent a letter to the Government on May 1, enclosing the resolution asking them to expedite the granting of a provisional licence for radio broadcasting to any company applying. A reply had been received stating that the subject had been referred to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and until the Government heard from him, no licences could be granted.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S SPEECH.

At the request of the Chairman, Mr. Fletcher then addressed the meeting. At the outset the speaker explained that he had come rather to receive information than to impart it. He hoped to gain some useful information for the Government. At the present time the Government had in its service no officer who had specialised on the subject, and in their deliberations they had relied entirely upon outside information and assistance. He remarked at this point that he was indebted to Mr. Melville Smith, for the little smattering of knowledge he himself possessed on the subject. Last November the Government had appointed a small Committee consisting of Mr. Melville Smith, Lieut. Money of the Navy, and Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N. (Chairman) to go into the subject of wireless telegraphy and radio telephony in the Colony. In their report the Committee were strongly of opinion that the Colony should have a Government wireless expert. Mr. Fletcher added that as a result of that expression of opinion the Government had sent to the Secretary for the Colonies and asked that a man be sent out from Home trained as an electrical engineer, and one who had specialised in wireless. The Committee went on to make recommendations with reference to the station at Cape D'Aguilar: compulsory wireless on passenger ships, and licences for wireless telegraphy or radio telephony. The Committee stated that radio telephony was in a very elementary stage in this Colony, and in their opinion there was little likelihood of its developing from a commercial point of view as far as long range work was concerned. They thought the Government should encourage wireless telegraphy and radio telephony experiments, and should issue licences for receiving and transmission. They further recommended that a station be set up at the Observatory. The Government were in communication with the Chamber of Commerce on this matter, and it was suggested that a separate station, should be set up for transmitting, and the Observatory would do its own broadcasting, warning of approaching storms, typhoons, etc., and broadcasting weather reports, and time signals. The Committee also suggested the formation of a Radio Branch of the Defence Corps. The Government had approved this, and had sent Home for apparatus.

PROVISIONAL LICENCES.

With regard to the Society's letter of the 1st May, asking the Government to grant provisional broadcasting licences, on the face of it the matter appeared simple enough, but the Government, after enquiring very carefully into the matter had found the subject literally bristling with difficulties. They had been given to understand that a certain amount of confusion did exist in the United States and in the United Kingdom, owing to the hasty and premature arrangements for broadcasting, that had been made in the early stages. They were only too anxious to avoid making mistakes. They had asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies for details of the way in which the Government controlled radio broadcasting in England, and for a copy of the regulations in force. He was given to understand that in a place such as Hongkong they could only have properly speaking, one broadcasting company. Actually five applications had been received, in addition to several enquiries on the subject.

One of these applications came from a newspaper, three were from business firms, and one was from a Chinese firm. It was very difficult to arrive at any satisfactory conclusion as to which firm, or even whether any firm, should be granted the licence. Take the Chinese firm. They might specialise in Chinese music; the Hotel might broadcast music from a hotel roof garden; and the newspaper might broadcast Reuter's telegrams. These questions had to be considered and the Government was anxious to arrange for the best system and the best type of broadcasting possible. It was here that the Society could be of assistance to the Government. For instance, they might be able to persuade these enterprises to combine, and bring out a joint programme which would provide the greatest pleasure for the greatest number. He thought, though, that the editing of a broadcasting programme would be a most invidious and unpleasant task, and he only hoped it would not fall on his own shoulders, or those of any Government servant.

SELECTION OF PROGRAMMES.

They always had to consider that the licence might be granted to a Company which would provide a poor programme. There was then the point of commissions to consider, and the question of the "sets" themselves, whether they should be of British manufacture or otherwise. Only one make of set would have to be allowed in the Colony, the reason being that the Company which contracted to broadcast would probably only do so on condition it was given the monopoly of selling receiving sets. They had also to consider whether a man should be debarred from using a machine he had made himself. Many of those present in all probability had not the slightest desire to listen to programmes of music, but rather wished to amuse themselves by practising and experimenting. How far was this type of enthusiast to be permitted? In all these matters the Government hoped to profit by the experience gained hitherto in England. Were they to accept the Society's proposal to grant a provisional broadcasting licence to any firm that applied there would be at least five companies starting at once. The thing was really impracticable. The Government were not possessed of any sort of instruction, but they did think it best to hasten slowly in this matter, rather than act prematurely.

There was objection to selling wireless receiving sets in the Colony, but the Government reserved the right to withhold a licence, or to order its withdrawal. Purchasers of sets should be warned that the permission of the Government ought to be obtained first. They did wish to ensure that the Colony should not be flooded with inferior apparatus which might eventually militate against the success of broadcasting in Hongkong. They warned the people therefore, that the right to listen might be withdrawn at any time and special conditions or taxes might be imposed.

MILITARY POINT OF VIEW.

Colonel Davy, acting G.O.C., in order, as he said, to open discussion, addressed the gathering on the aspects of radio and broadcasting as seen from the Military point of view. They would readily understand that in a country like this, and especially in the New Territories, where communications were difficult, there were considerable possibilities for radio in the way of providing military information in the event of trouble. For this reason alone the Military Authorities were taking a very close interest in the subject, and in the attitude of the Government. They thought, however, that whatever was eventually done as to the granting of licences to broadcasting companies, the giving of licences to individual listeners-in, and for reception purposes, should be very strictly controlled. The Government would have to control broadcasting arrangements to prevent confusion, and to enable the Military Authorities to have at their disposal a system of real value for defensive purposes. The same argument applied to the arrangements for reception.

MANY QUESTIONS ASKED.

The Chairman then asked whether any member would like to ask Mr. Fletcher any questions. One gentleman speaking with regard to the sale of receiving sets, suggested that it would be better if the Government did not grant a monopoly to any firm. Many amateurs preferred to make their own sets. He added that the B.B.C. Company in England sold sets at 45 each, and out of this there was a ten shilling tax, whilst other people had to pay a tax of 17/6 for an experimental set. It was very difficult to find out those people who really possessed sets, and it was generally realised that in England two-thirds of the people who listened in did not pay taxes. That was not a desirable state of affairs for Hongkong, and it was his opinion that there should be one bedrock tax to be imposed on all listeners-in, whether for experimental sets or otherwise. They should also try, and prevent the erection of indoor aerials.

Another gentleman asked whether the Government intended to wait for a reply from Home

before issuing any rules or regulations. Mr. Fletcher replied that that was the intention. When the new expert arrived from Home he would be able to assist them in drawing up these rules and regulations. The Government was simply safeguarding itself in the meantime by allowing receiving sets and reserving the right to impose any conditions they thought desirable.

Mr. A. Hicks then asked whether, subject to applications being made for licences, if the persons making the applications were willing to abide by the conditions, would they then be allowed to install receiving sets. Mr. Fletcher replied in the affirmative. He pointed out that some of these receiving sets were undoubtedly liable to set up oscillation and interfere with other people. It might be possible for the Society later on to arrange for the erection of a directional receiving set which would pick these people up.

Mr. Hicks then pointed out that Mr. Fletcher had suggested that there might be some difficulty in the granting of provisional licences for broadcasting because of the number of interests applying. It had occurred to him that the Government would eventually have to give a decision with regard to granting a permanent licence for broadcasting. Surely it could do the same with regard to provisional licences. In any case if a provisional licence were granted it could always be rescinded after interference had been caused with other stations. He could see no objection.

Mr. Fletcher replied that the objection was not so much one of interference as of the method by which these provisional licences were to be granted. These people who applied for the licences would require some return for their investment, and as far as he could see it would have to take the form of a tax. In England he understood the tax was issued in respect of certain receiving sets only, and a very useful suggestion had been made for obviating the natural confusion that would arise in Hongkong. He referred to the suggestion of a bedrock tax on all sets.

Mr. Hicks said he understood that one company had offered to set up broadcasting apparatus with no sort of condition of return at all. Mr. Fletcher said the Government had had no such application before it.

Mr. Orchard, of the Hongkong Hotel Electrical Company, said it would take longer to get sets out from England than it would from the United States. It would only be a matter of three weeks from America, as against two months from England.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Fletcher concluded the business.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROOK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 18, 1923.

OBITUARY.

MR. JOHN MARSHALL CONWAY.

Those who worked with him as colleagues on the local press learned with deep regret yesterday that Mr. John Marshall Conway, formerly sub-editor of the *Hongkong Telegraph*, had passed away at Shanghai where he went last December to join the staff of the *Shanghai Mercury*. Over 40 and with several years of war service with the Rifle Brigade to his credit, Mr. Conway had not a very robust constitution but yesterday's news came nevertheless as a considerable shock.

The late Mr. Conway was a native of London and got most of his journalistic experience there. His first appointment was to the staff of *Truth* and his later undertakings included the sub-editing of an electrical trade journal, reporting for *Sporting Life* and pamphlet writing. He was well-known as a standing contributor to the

Country Gentleman (which later became *Land and Water*) and for some time he was employed with Messrs. Ewart Seymour and Co., Ltd., the proprietors of several well-known publications. One of his last engagements before coming East was with the *Shipping and Mercantile Gazette*. He was greatly interested in Chinese politics and one of his reasons for going to Shanghai was to deepen his knowledge of Chinese affairs, his intention being ultimately to incorporate his knowledge in a book. His knowledge of foreign affairs was very wide and he was also an expert in sporting matters.

Affectionately known to his newspaper friends here as "old Joe," Mr. Conway was an unassuming gentleman whose sterling qualities assured his popularity. Himself a mine of information on a host of topics he was a ready listener to those who had anything to tell. He lived a good deal to himself, as befitted his studious turn of mind, but was keenly interested in almost every kind of sport.

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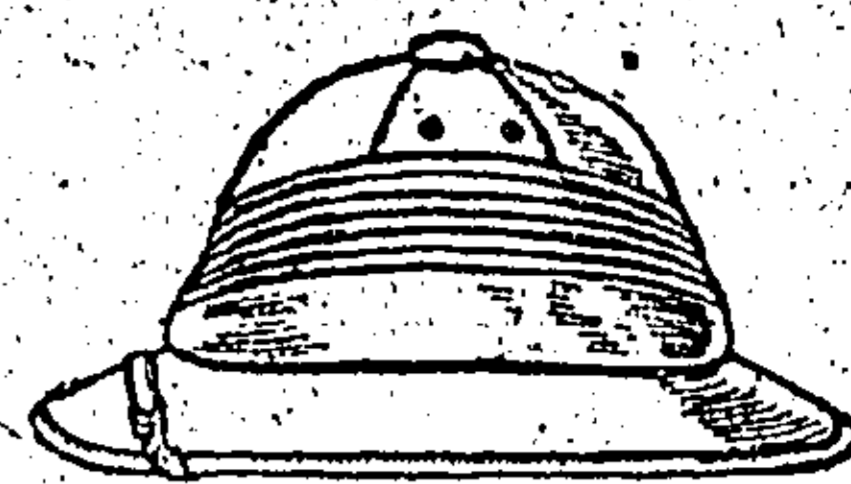
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ROMANCE OF TRANS-ATLANTIC CABLE.

"Submarine Cable Laying and Repairing" was the subject of a lecture by Capt. S. G. Gorton, R.N., of the M. cable ship "Kilmun," at the Plymouth Port Library recently. The lecturer outlined the early experiments made, and said with regard to the question of a trans-Atlantic cable.

...ing scientists of the day, called by the magnitude of the task, declared its fulfilment impossible, and urged all sorts of mathematical reasons to justify their opinion. But a faithful secretary on with the project, and on November 12, 1856, the promoter admitted defeat.

...the necessary funds for the undertaking. The lecturer described the first unsuccessful attempt to cable by H.M.S. "Agamemnon" and the "Niagara," an American vessel. In the next year the attempt was repeated with great success.

In New York the completion of the enterprise was greeted with public rejoicings, which culminated in the Townhall being burnt down. Rejoicings in England were prevented by the News that after 24 signals had failed to cross the channel. Eight years elapsed, during which electrical knowledge was

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Mrs. George Paddelford, formerly the dashing Mrs. Ben Teal, who has achieved international notoriety, has been charged with defrauding stores of more than \$15,000 worth of merchandise, which she is said to have secured and sold. Her husband is suing her for divorce.



Several United States Senators accompanied the Secretary of the Navy to witness the fleet war games off the Panama Canal. Senator Jones donned an enlisted man's uniform and lived the sailor's life.



Clarence Saunders

Clarence Saunders, formerly an iron puddler and later an \$18-a-week grocery clerk, expects to make \$7,500,000 from his corner in Piggly Wiggly stock, a corporation of chain grocery stores he organized and controlled. Wall street, in a frenzy of selling, went far short on stock, which the brokers cannot deliver, and Saunders is demanding \$250 a share for the stock.



Mrs. Frances Love Beckwith

Latest picture of Mrs. Frances Love Beckwith, daughter of a prominent family, who died of acute peritonitis, following a drinking party, in which she is reported to have received injuries similar to those which caused the death of Virginia Rapp, for which "Fatty" Arbuckle was acquitted in San Francisco.



Alexander Kerensky

Alexander Kerensky, former Russian Premier, is one of the most prominent of the twenty-two leaders of the Socialist Revolutionary Party who are expected to surrender to the Soviet Government as hostages for those members of their party who were imprisoned after trials in Moscow last summer. The convicted men are said to have become broken in health by their confinement. To save their lives Kerensky and his associates plan to take their places in prison.



Philip Snowden

Mr. Philip Snowden, leader of the "intellectual" group in the British Labour Party, has introduced a bill for the nationalization of industry.



Miss Lorna Ambler

Miss Lorna Ambler has been officially named as one of the correspondents in the sensational divorce suit brought by Geraldine Farrar against Lou Tellegen.



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Recently elected to Congress from the Thirty-eighth New York District.



House of David

Terrible stories of vice have been told at the trial of Benjamin Purnell, head of the "House of David" who is being sued by John W. Hansell, who is seeking \$80,000 damages for property he says he turned over to Purnell. Esther Hansell his daughter, who is said to have been a member of Purnell's "harem," is shown in the immediate foreground, with her head resting in her hand. Those seated at the table in foreground are Purnell's attorneys. Purnell has not appeared in court.



Albert D. Bondale

Wishing to learn all they could about the Navy while attending the war games off Panama, Congressmen Rossdale and Peterson donned sailors' uniforms and lived as seamen. The first night they got shore leave they violated naval regulations by entering a Balboa (Panama) cabaret after hours and were promptly arrested by beach police. It required the use of the wireless to secure their release.



T. Lambert Wyatt

T. Lambert ("Tub") Wyatt, University student, may become Kansas City's next mayor as the result of a prank by college boys. The students got up and filed a petition naming Wyatt as a mayoralty candidate. A street parade was held. The joke campaign soon assumed serious proportions, when many voters approved Wyatt's candidacy. Wyatt may secure the nomination. He is 24 years old and captain of the football team.

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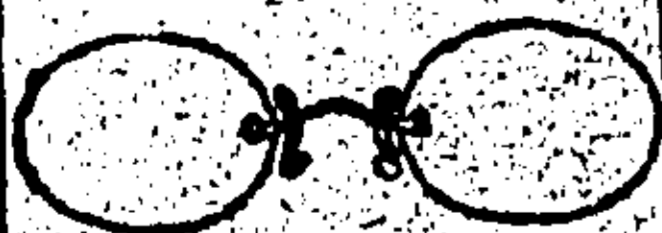
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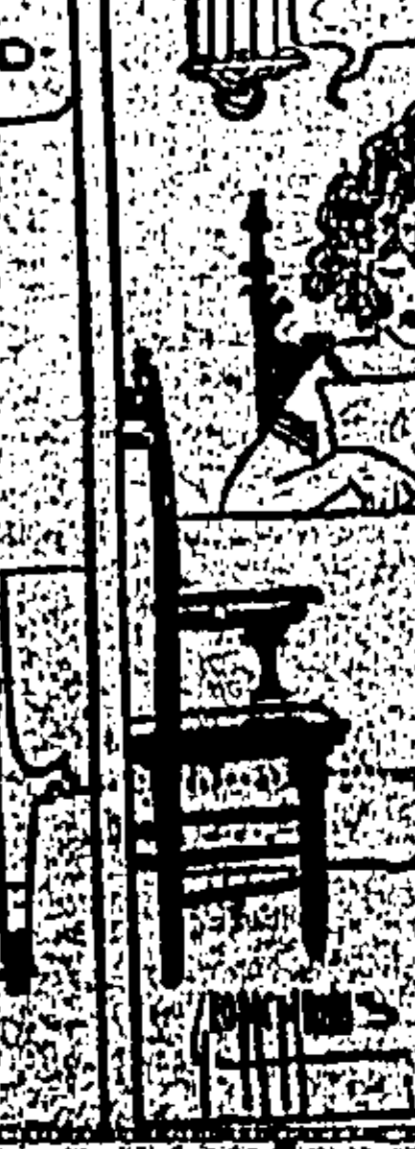
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Tel. Central 911-1887.
35, Queen's Road Central.

Leather Goods
Kang Saitsee Co.,
Manufacturers of Leather Suitcases,
Hand Bags, Purse, Belt, etc.
Pottinger St., 208 Queen's Rd. Ct.
and 38 Hillier St.

Ho King, 224 Des Voeux Road.
Manufacturers of Leather Suitcases, Hand
Bags, Trunks, etc.

Merchants.
Yee Commercial & Development Co.—
China Bank Buildings (3rd floor) Tel. 3809.

Gibbs, J & Co., Alexandra Building.

Millinery
Madame Lily—Alexandra Building.
Latest models and creations from
Paris in Frock and Millinery.
"The Centre of Fashion."

Miners
China Commercial Co., Ltd.
Miners, Importers and Exporters
54-56 Queen's Road Ct. Tel. Cen. 2802.

Modistes
Madame Flirt.
31, Queen's Road Cen. Tel. Cen. 539.
(Miss F. Flirta in John)

Optician
The Hongkong Optical Co. Phone 3117.
13, Queen's Road Central.

Dr. Lazarus, Optician.
Tel. Cen. 2203. 15 Queen's Rd. Central.

Photographers

Mee Cheung, Photographer.
23, Ice House Street.
7, Beaconfield Arcade (Branch).
Developing & Printing undertaken.

Printers

The "China Mail" General Printers,
Publishers and Bookbinders.
5, Wyndham Street. Tel. Cen. 22.

Scales

Mustard & Co., Connaught Road Ctl.

Ship Chandlers

Chung Fook, 78 Connaught Rd. Ctl.
First floor. Tel. Central 633.
Shipchandler, Stoverdore and
Comptrols.

Wang Kee & Co., Shipchandler,
Comptrols and Stoverdore & Coal
Merchants, 18, 1st & 2nd floor, supply.
No. 38 & 37, Connaught Road, Tel.
Central No. 946.

Shipowners

Man Wing S. S. Co., Ltd.
23, Bonham Strand West, Tel. Cen. 1710.
Regular fortnightly service
Hongkong and Haiphong via Hoihow
s.s. "Haitan".

Thal Thuan S. S. Co., Ltd.
147 Wing Lok Street, East, Tel. Cen. 93.
s.s. "Derwent" s.s. "Bourbon"
between Hongkong and Saigon.

Shoemakers

Jam Kee, Dealer in Sewing Machines
and Accessories, Boot & Shoe Mater.
7 Pottinger Street.

WONG SHU WOON
BOOTS, SHOES & SUPPLIES FOR LADIES, GENTS
& CHILDREN. BEST DESIGN, PRICE MODERATE.
25, POTTINGER ST. PHONE 1474.

Silk Stores

D. Chellaram—Royal Silk Store.
55a Queen's Road Central, Satin
Creme de Chine, Gorgeotte and
Brocade Silks.

Pohomull Bros., 38, Queen's Rd. C.

Tailors

Hongkong Tailoring Co.
Ladies' and Gents' Tailors.
10, D'Aguiar Street, New Materials
of all descriptions. Tel. Cen. 9880.

Ah Young, Tailors, Drapers & Out-
fitters, Hat & Clothing. Suits made
to order. No. 74, Queen's Road
Central. Tel. Central No. 2493.

Sing Cheong,
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Tailor.
24, Wyndham Street, 2nd floor.

Tobaccos, Cigarettes.

British American Tobacco Co.
(China), Ltd. 15-19 Connaught Road.

Typewriters, Etc.

Mustard & Co., Connaught Road Ctl.

Wine & Spirit Merchants
Kwan Tye, General Storekeeper
Wine & Spirit Merchant.
No. 102, Queen's Road Central.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs
on the 1st May 1923.

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WEATHER REPORT.

May 18d. 11h 11m.—Pressure has
decreased moderately over N. E.
Japan and at Shanghai, and slightly
from the Visayas to Gu. It is nearly
stationary elsewhere.

The depression in the China Sea has
filled up.

A shallow depression lies over
Indo-China and a feeble anticyclone
over Japan.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.34 inch.
Total since January 1st, 10.37 inches
against an average of 17.38 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on May 19, 1923.

1.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds,
moderate.

2.—South coast of China between
Tientsin and Amoy. E. or variable
winds, light to moderate; generally
cloudy.

3.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. E. or
variable winds, light to moderate;
generally cloudy.

4.—South coast of China between
Gap Rock and Hainan. E. or variable
winds, light to moderate; generally
cloudy.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,

HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

MAY 18, 1923.—a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer at Sea Level. Temperature. Humidity. Direction. Force.

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REGULAR AND FAST FREIGHT AND PASSENGER SERVICES.

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"GLAUCUS" 21st May London, Rotterdam & Dunkirk
"WELSH" 28th May London, Hull, Rotterdam & Hamburg
"AUTOMEDON" 4th June London, Rotterdam & Hamburg
"EUMAEUS" 11th June London, Rotterdam & Hamburg

LIVERPOOL SERVICE

(Direct or via Continental Ports)
"MERIONES" 20th May Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow
"ELPHOR" 1st June Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"FENIUS" 20th June Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow

PACIFIC SERVICE

(via Kobe and Yokohama)
"ACHILLES" 12th June Victoria, Seattle and
"PHILOCTETES" 3rd July Vancouver

NEW YORK SERVICE

(via Suez or Panama)
"CANFA" 5th June
"KEMMUN" 20th June

PASSENGER SERVICE